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FROM THE STATE EMS BRANCH MANAGER

As many of you know, modern emergency medical services programs have been intrinsically tied to highway safety. The first national legislation to establish what we now call EMS and trauma care systems was the federal Highway Safety Act of 1967. (Wow! We're thirty years old this year!) This landmark legislation recognized the

link between the availability of quality EMS systems and efforts to reduce the number of deaths on the nation's highways due to traffic crashes.

While other federal agencies have made contributions to the growth and development of EMS over the next three decades, the U.S. Department of Transportation and its National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has consistently and continuously provided national support and leadership for planning, developing, and evaluating EMS and trauma care systems. Then as now, NHTSA has supported EMS and trauma systems development, strategic national planning for EMS, curricula development for EMS personnel,

EMS information systems, and public information and education initiatives regarding EMS.

Unfortunately, there is related issue dealing with EMS and highway safety — that of ambulances and other EMS response vehicles involved in crashes. Hardly a week goes by that we don't hear of a serious traffic crash involving an ambulance, often with serious injuries. Our office has been working with the University of Louisville School of Medicine and the Kentucky State Police to perform an analysis of traffic crashes and related incidents involving ambulances. As soon as the study is completed, we will share the results with you through this newsletter, educational programs, and other methods. In the meantime, I ask each of you to consider the risks of operating an emergency vehicle whether you are driving an ambulance, responding in a separate vehicle, or developing standard operating procedures for your own service. You are at risk, along with passengers in your vehicle, occupants of other vehicles, or other by-standers.

Kentucky's laws on emergency vehicles cover ambulances and EMS response vehicles which are used "to respond to emergencies or to transport a patient with a critical medical condition." Please note that the law does not cover non-emergency responses or transporting patients who do not have a critical medical condition. The laws permit such emergency vehicles **on emergency runs only** to utilize lights and sirens in only those circumstances as well as provide exemptions from certain traffic regulations. Since many of the most serious crashes involve intersections, let's see what the law says:

The driver of an emergency vehicle ... upon approaching any red light or stop signal or any stop sign shall slow down as necessary for safety to traffic, but may proceed past such red or stop light or stop sign with due regard for the safety of persons using the street or highway.

We've all heard stories of EMS personnel, police officers, and others who have been found liable for injuries which occurred while responding to a call. These are real. Don't let them happen to you. As the desk sergeant on the TV show "Hill Street Blues" used to say each day following roll call, "LET'S BE CAREFUL OUT THERE!"

(Robert Calhoun)

BLS SUBCOMMITTEE LOOKING AT EMT PROGRAM

The BLS Subcommittee of the Kentucky EMS Council's EMS Training Committee is well into an ambitious project to consider all aspects of EMT training and practice with a goal of revising Kentucky's EMT regulations by the end of the calendar year. Working with the BLS Subcommittee, the U.K. Center for Rural Health has sent out surveys to all ambulance services, EMS educators, and other EMS groups to determine the perceived strengths and weaknesses of the current EMT program. A technical working group of the BLS subcommittee, headed by Ira Dyer, has scheduled upcoming meetings on 10:00 a.m. on July 10 and July 24. Both meetings will be at the Lexington Fire Dept. Training Center. The full BLS Subcommittee, chaired by James Ritchey, will meet on August 6 and hopes to have its initial recommendations to the Kentucky EMS Council later in August.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR KY EMS COUNCIL

The Kentucky Emergency Medical Services Council was established in 1994 as part of a major restructuring of Kentucky's EMS program by the Kentucky General Assembly. The role of the Council is to advise the Cabinet on issues related to the development, implementation, regulation, maintenance, and reimbursement of EMS systems and providers. The membership of the Kentucky EMS Council must be broadly representative of individuals, providers, and public officials having expertise in emergency medical services. Members of the Council are appointed to three year terms by the Commissioner of the Department for Public Health.

The terms of five individuals who have served on the Kentucky EMS Council since its inception will expire later this year. These individuals are:

Kelly Callaham, EMT-P, Martin County Judge/Executive, Inez
Teresa Gregory-Casey, RN, Harrodsburg
Sherman Hockenbury, EMT-P, Director, Yellow Ambulance Service, Louisville
Paul Kearney, MD, Trauma Surgeon, UK Medical Center, Lexington
Daniel O'Brien, MD, Emergency Physician, U of L Hospital, Louisville

Each of the above named individuals, except Teresa Gregory-Casey, has indicated their willingness to be reappointed to a new three year term on the Council. While there are no specific "slots" on the Council for particular groups, the intent of the Cabinet is to appoint interested and qualified individuals from all regions of Kentucky. Therefore,

Individuals and organizations are encouraged to submit nominations to the EMS Branch office for consideration. For each nomination, please submit a resume, C.V., or Citizen Group Nomininee Biographical Sheet to the EMS Branch office by August 11, 1997. All nominations received will be reviewed by staff and by the Kentucky EMS Council at their August 26, 1997, meeting and their recommendations will be forwarded to the Commissioner who will make the appointments. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call (502)564-8963.

(Robert Calhoun)

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALS/PARA- MEDIC COURSE APPROVALS

Ambulance services and educational institutions submitting documents which require approval of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure under Kentucky's paramedic regulations need to be aware of the timelines for submission of documents. ALS medical directors, ALS medical protocols, and paramedic course applications all must be submitted for approval by the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure. The KBML meets four times a year in March, June, September, and December. All such documents must first be reviewed by the Kentucky Emergency Medical Services Council and its standing committees (Medical Standards/Delegated Practice for protocols and medical director credentials; EMS Training for paramedic course applications). Therefore, all such materials must be received in the EMS Branch offices at least 3 weeks prior to the scheduled meeting of the Kentucky EMS Council to allow sufficient time for initial review and inclusion on the meeting agendas. The EMS Council's meetings are also held quarterly, in the month before the KBML meeting. Through the remainder of 1997, the following meeting dates and submission dates are announced:

Scheduled EMS Council Meeting

Due Dates for Materials to be Reviewed

August 26, 1997	August 5, 1997
November 18, 1997	October 28, 1997

Any materials received after the due date will be deferred to the following meeting cycle.

1997 EMS AWARDS NOMINATIONS DUE

Nominations are being accepted for the 1997 EMS Awards which will be presented at the 1997 Kentucky EMS Conference and Trade Show to be held August 20-23, 1997, at the Executive Inn in Paducah. These awards are to provide recognition to those individuals and organizations whose dedication, leadership, and contributions uphold the highest standards of service. To be considered, nominations must be received in the EMS Branch **no later than July 31, 1997.**

General Guidelines for Nominations:

The following guidelines should be followed for all nominees, regardless of category:

All nominations should be accompanied by a nomination form and not more than 3 typewritten pages which describe why the individual or organization should be considered for an award including:

a. Examples of how the nominee demonstrates his/her knowledge and skills relating to the delivery of emergency medical services.

b. Description of activities of the nominee which demonstrates professionalism, eagerness to serve, and a quality of leadership which goes beyond expected norms.

c. Examples of the nominee's activities within his/her service or community, to educate the public and promote EMS awareness.

In addition, nominations may be accompanied by letters of support, newspaper clippings, audio or video tapes, examples of promotional materials, and other evidence to support the nomination.

Emergency Medical Services Award Categories:

EMT of the Year; Paramedic of the Year — The EMT and Paramedic of the Year should represent the best the professions have to offer. Nominees should not only have demonstrated proficiency in patient care, but must display professionalism which commands respect from patient and peers alike.

EMS Provider Public Education Award — The EMS Provider Public Education Award is presented to an ambulance service, hospital, or other provider organization in recognition of significant contributions to the improvement of the public's understanding of EMS. The award recognizes organizations which educate the public on how to access the EMS system, provide training in CPR or first aid, or otherwise promotes effective utilization of the EMS system.

EMS Dispatcher of the Year — The EMS Dispatcher of the Year should be an individual who has shown excellence in the efficient and effective use of EMS dispatch techniques and has played a significant role in managing EMS responses or providing essential information to a caller to improve the outcomes of an EMS response.

EMS Educator of the Year — The EMS Educator of Year may or may not be a certified EMT instructor. The individual recognized should be one who has made significant contributions to the education of EMS personnel in his/her service or community and whose professionalism has commanded the respect of his/her peers, students, and the public.

EMS Special Recognition Award — The EMS Special Recognition Award was established to recognize an individual who has made significant contributions to the planning, development, implementation, or evaluation of EMS systems within their local community or the state as a whole. Individuals nominated may be an EMS professional who has worked to improve the quality and availability of any component of EMS or trauma care systems. Alternatively, the individual may be a public official, community leader, or other "lay person" who had spearheaded significant improvements to EMS in their community of the Commonwealth.

1997 EMS AWARD NOMINATION FORM

(Please Attach A Copy Of This Form To Each Nomination)

Category this Nomination is For:

☐ EMT of the Year

☐ Paramedic of the Year

☐ Dispatcher of the Year

☐ EMS Special Recognition

☐ Provider Public Education/Information

☐ EMS Educator of the Year

Nominee:

Certification Level:

Certification Number:

Nominee's Employer:

Nominee's Daytime Phone Number: ()

Your Name:

Your Employer/Affiliation:

Your Level of Certification/License:

Your Daytime Phone Number: ()

Your Signature:

Date:

Nominations Should be submitted to:

EMS Award Nomination

Emergency Medical Services Branch

Dept. for Public Health

275 East Main Street

Frankfort KY 40621

DEADLINE

**Nominations are due no later than
JULY 31, 1997**

EMS REGIONAL ADVISOR/ INSPECTOR REPORTS...

NORTHEAST KENTUCKY REGION

1. Paramedic classes are still in full swing at both Morehead and South Williamson.
2. Maysville Community College was approved for a second paramedic class at the May Council meeting. Pam Stewart plans to start the class in August for more information you may contact Pam at (606) 759-7141.
3. Pikeville Methodist Hospital & M.M.E.D. are planning a joint venture for a paramedic class application. The class is planned to start in October.
4. To my knowledge, no Transition Classes are being done. Many new implementing agencies have been approved; please don't wait until the last minute.
5. Many of the services have taken advantage of the opportunity to add ambulances without going through the CON process. Please give this some thought before requesting an inspection. If you have an ambulance which you need to remove from service then consider requesting the new vehicle as a replacement rather than an additional. It has been a scheduling nightmare to meet these requests.
6. Carter County Emergency Ambulance Service District was licensed to provide Advance Life Support services on 5/30/97.
7. Advanced Care Transport and Training (ACTT) is a newly licensed ambulance service in Carter County.

As seems to be an all unwanted tradition every couple of years, I wind up in the hospital; and so in keeping with tradition, I spent a week at Saint Claire Medical Center in Morehead (my home away from home) and laid up at home for a couple of weeks. I hope by the time you read this I'll be back on the road again. I'd like to thank the entire EMS Branch for their concern and covering my region for me. A greater group of people you never worked with, I'd also like to thank the ambulance services, employees and others who sent cards, flowers or called, I'll never forget any of you.

Randy Warner
Regional EMS Advisor/Inspector
Northeast Kentucky Office

SOUTH CENTRAL KENTUCKY REGION

1. Monroe County EMS began an EMT class on 6/9/97 with twenty (20) students enrolled. They also implemented a PALS class on 6/10/97.
2. Somerset-Pulaski County EMS began a EMT class on 6/19/97 with fifteen (15) students enrolled. The ambulance service will implement a BTLs course on 7/10-12/97 and will begin to conduct EMT Transition Courses 8/1/97. For further information on these classes contact Bob Price at Somerset-Pulaski Co. EMS, phone number 606-679-6388.
3. Adair County EMS is in the planning stages of building a new ambulance service base station.
4. Glasgow School for Health Occupations recently completed an EMT class.
5. The Medical Center at Bowling Green Ambulance Service recently completed their first EMT class under the new DOT Curriculum. The ambulance service conducted the National Registry EMT exam on 6/24/97, and will implement another EMT class in September 1997. For further information contact Jim Williams or Gary Madison at 502-745-1248.
6. The Barren River Emergency Services School was held on 4/12&13/97 with approximately six hundred (600) people in attendance. Sixty eight (68) EMTs attended the EMT C.E. Tracks, and twenty eight (28) students participated in the EMT Transition Course.
7. Stanford EMS Inc. is anticipating upgrading to Advance Life Support effective 7/1/97.
8. Garrard Co. EMS is ready to go on line as ALS pending final approval by KBML and the Licensing Agency.
9. Region 5 ambulance providers had a Managed Care Partnership meeting on 5/16/97 in Lincoln County. Somerset-Pulaski County EMS hosted an EMS M/C Partnership meeting for Region 4 on 5/22/97 with two (2) more meetings for Region 4 being scheduled in Columbia, Ky.
10. Commonwealth Health Corporation, Bowling Green, Ky., has obtained ownership of Auburn Rural Fire Department Ambulance Service and added a satellite station in Russellville.
11. Logan County Ambulance Service anticipates going on line with Advance Life Support in the near future.

Rick Strunk
Regional EMS Advisor/Inspector
South Central Kentucky Region

SOUTHEAST KENTUCKY REGION

1. Allens Ambulance Service in Owsley Co. had a very successful poster contest for school children grades K-4 during EMS Week, trophies were given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each division.
2. Funeral Home based ambulance services Evarts, Loyall and Tri-City in Harlan County have merged to form a new corporation, AAA Ambulance of Harlan.
3. The Jackson Co. Ambulance Board will meet September 9, 1997.
4. Johnson's Life Care Ambulance Service in Lynch, Ky. recently added two ambulances and a satellite location at 414 East Mound St. in Harlan.
5. During National EMS Week, the Leslie County Ambulance Service received a plaque from Mary Breckinridge Hospital in appreciation for their loyal service to the citizens they serve.
6. Madison Co. 911 recently moved from the State Police Post to the New Emergency Operations Center.
7. Mountain EMS Inc. in Harlan County recently participated in a health fair with Harlan ARH during the Poke Sallett Festival.
8. Mountain Lifeline recently hosted a Blood Drive with the Central Ky. Blood Center and collected sixty eight (68) pints of blood. The service will be providing a Transition Course soon. For more information call 606-539-0766.
9. Red Bird Mountain Medical Center Ambulance Service will be hosting a Transition Course soon, for more information call 606-598-5135.
10. There are several services in Southeast Ky. who have added ambulances following the recent CON ruling.

David Williams
Regional EMS Advisor/Inspector
Southeast Kentucky Office

NORTHERN KENTUCKY REGION

1. New EMS directors for services in my region are: Ludlow Fire Department Life Squad-Tommy Heins, Park Hills Rescue Squad-Mark Amend and Crescent Villa Fire Authority-Chip Crawford.
2. Retiring Fire Chiefs are: George Pennington-Frankfort Fire and Emergency Medical Service, Denny Mussman

Covington Fire Department Ambulance Service and Terry Keller-Ludlow Fire Department Life Squad.

3. Point Pleasant Fire Protection District Ambulance Service, Florence Fire and EMS and Erlanger Technical Rescue Team are training for low and high angle rope rescue operations in the Northern Kentucky area.
4. Northern Kentucky Protocol Book has been completed by Todd Schulkers and others. It will enable services to work together and talk the same language.
5. Information regarding the radio frequencies that the ambulances use in my area should be completed at the end of this year.
6. Northern Kentucky EMS Advisory Council has started implementing countywide EMS mutual aid agreements, charges for ambulance services and quantitative purchasing of supplies.
7. New ambulances inspected in the Northern Kentucky Region during the first half of 1997 are: Covington, Dayton, Erlanger, Rural Metro and Union. If you are due to receive a new ambulance in the near future, please notify the EMS Branch in writing, allowing a few days to be worked into my schedule.
8. Transitional Courses are being taught at Erlanger Fire and EMS, St. Luke and St. Elizabeth Hospitals.
9. Reports of EMS Week scheduled activities include teaching CPR and first aid, blood pressure testing, booths at local malls, day cares, churches and schools, public appearances talking about EMS, awards and banquet dinner. Proclamations by Mayors and Judges Executives and other activities.
10. There were no ambulances lost due to the flood of 1997 in the Northern Kentucky Region; however, Silver Grove and Falmouth EMS had to do major clean up of their buildings and recreate a lot of paperwork.
11. During inspections, one thing people do to check their portable and fixed suction is place their hand over the rigid Yonkers. This is not OSHA approved!
12. Questions are asked regarding equipment not covered in the EMT book, such as thermometer, pulse ox, and restraints. EMTs can use equipment that is not invasive; however, they need to have training done by qualified persons and know the positives and negatives of the use of the equipment.

David B. Lilly
Northern Kentucky
Advisor/Inspector

NORTH CENTRAL KENTUCKY REGION

A lot of activity has been taking place since the last newsletter :

1. The City of Louisville has added several satellite stations since the merger of EMS with the fire service.

2. LaGrange Fire & Rescue Department Ambulance Service is considering adding a satellite station.

3. Anchorage Fire Protection District Rescue Squad has replaced a vehicle.

4. Jefferson Co. Emergency Medical Services, Shelby Co. Emergency Medical Service, Yellow Ambulance Service, and LaGrange Fire & Rescue Department Ambulance Service have all added vehicles to their fleet.

5. McDaniels Emergency Medical Service is considering upgrading to ALS.

6. Breckinridge Co. is working on installing the 911 Basic System, while Jefferson Co. and Oldham Co. are working on upgrading to 911 Enhanced.

7. Several EMT and/or Paramedic classes are either underway or just finished in Louisville and Shepherdsville.

8. Current EMTs are now taking the Transition Course. Prices seem to range from \$75.00 to \$250.00 so if you have not signed up for a class yet, shop around.

9. Central Baptist Hospital has a newly licensed ambulance service to provide critical care patients with transportation from hospitals in Garrard, Johnson and Rowan counties Lexington. The service is licensed under the name CENTRAL BAPTIST HOSPITAL CRITICAL CARE TRANSPORT UNIT.

Bill Durrett
Regional EMS Advisor/Inspector
North Central Kentucky Region

WESTERN KENTUCKY REGION

1. Ballard Co. Ambulance Service will travel to the area Post Offices this summer to distribute medical information and free blood pressure checks to the community.

2. Christian Co. Emergency Ambulance Service is now utilizing their new 12-lead monitor/defibrillators as part of the recent equipment additions.

3. Christian Co. in conjunction with Kentucky Tech-Madisonville Health Technology will be hosting an EMT class scheduled for August, 1997. For additional information,

contact Jamie Locke at (502) 887-4050 or Pat Young at (502) 824-7552.

4. Community Methodist Hospital Ambulance Service in Henderson has recently completed their "It's Good To Be Alive!" drug/alcohol program for teenagers, having taken the program to the school systems in Henderson, Union Co., Webster Co., Crittenden Co., and the City of Providence. This service in conjunction with Coy Harris and EMS for Children hosted the North Carolina course at their facility on June 21-22, 1997. The employees of Community Methodist Hospital are currently working a "Medical Alert Tube" program for senior citizens that provides a tube to the individual with the ambulance DNR order contained in it. They propose to make these tubes available first in Henderson then to Union and Webster counties as well.

5. Medical Center Ambulance Service in Madisonville has plans for EMS for Children, BTLs and ACLS courses in the fall. For additional information, contact Charlie O'Neal at (502) 821-1294.

6. Mercy Regional Emergency Medical Service announced that the new emergency room entrance at Western Baptist Hospital is now open.

7. Ohio Co. Emergency Medical Services has been busy moving both the base and satellite stations. The base station's new address is: 108 North Main Street, Hartford, KY 42347 and the new address for the satellite station is: 25 Church Street, Fordsville, KY 42343.

8. Todd Co. Ambulance Service has a new director, Mr. Daniel Smith.

MOVING NOTICE !!!!!!!!!!!

The office for the West Kentucky EMS Advisor/Inspector is moving to:

Marshall Co. Health Department
307 East 12th Street
PO Box 607
Benton, KY 42025

The new telephone number is (502) 527-9138.

It has certainly been a pleasure to work in Hopkins County and with all the people at the Health Department who have created a great work environment. Practicality calls, however, and 70 miles closer to home will allow me more time to meet the needs of the providers in my region.

Remember, I'm not gone; just relocated.

Sharon Pierceall
Regional EMS Advisor/Inspector
Western Kentucky Office

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

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The information listed below reflects disciplinary actions taken by the Cabinet since publication of the last EMS Newsletter (Spring 1997). It does not include pending actions or actions that are under appeal. This information is intended as a public notice of final actions taken. It may not reflect all of the factors involved in the action such as a certificant's complete criminal or disciplinary history, severity of the violation, or other mitigating factors. This listing should not be used to judge or assess a particular action by the Cabinet against a particular infraction or act of misconduct.

PROBATIONARY EMT CERTIFICATIONS

Rathman, Donna C., EMT certificate #32708, LaCenter, Kentucky. Placed on probationary status from December 31, 1996 until December 31, 1998 pursuant to 902 KAR 13:090, Section 1(1) and (2)(b) due to a conviction of a misdemeanor.

Thompson, Brent, EMT certificate #33694, Eddyville, Kentucky. Certified on a probationary certificate pursuant to 902 KAR 13:090, Section 1(20)(b) due to a traffic violation.

RESTRICTED EMT CERTIFICATIONS

Hagan, Thomas, EMT certificate #39951, Brownsville, Kentucky. Issued restricted employment certificate from December 31, 1996 through April 18, 1998 pursuant to 902 KAR 13:090, Section 1(20)(a) and (b) due to a conviction of a felony or misdemeanor.

McDonald, William P., EMT certificate #42298, Barbourville, Kentucky. Issued restricted employment certificate with Knox County ambulance service from April 30, 1997 through April 30, 1999 pursuant to 902 KAR 13:090, Section 1(1) and (2)(b) due to a conviction of a felony or misdemeanor.

SUSPENDED EMT CERTIFICATIONS

The following person's certificate has been suspended for issuing a check for a certificate on an invalid account or an account which does not have sufficient funds to pay the fee. A person whose certificate has been denied, suspended, or revoked may not be employed as an EMT, function as an EMT, nor wear any insignia or labels which would imply to the public that he or she is an EMT:

Baker, Thomas C., EMT #41532, Louisville, Kentucky.

SUSPENDED PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATIONS

Branham, Rick D., certificate #1092P. Certificate suspended by the Kentucky Board of Medical licensure until paramedic enters into counseling arrangement meeting conditions set by the Board.

AMBULANCE LICENSE NEGATIVE ACTIONS

Life Ambulance Service, license number 650566, 1641 Offinere Street, Portsmouth, Ohio. Application for relicensing was denied March 10, 1997 pursuant to 902 KAR 14:070, Section 3(7) for failure to submit an acceptable plan of correction by March 1, 1997.

Star Fire Mining Emergency Medical Service, license #650548, P.O. Box 423, Bulan, Kentucky. Application for relicensing was denied April 28 1997 pursuant to 902 KAR 14:070, Section 3(7) for failure to submit an acceptable plan of correction by March 30, 1997.

Kentucky EMS Council Meeting

Notice of regular meetings in 1997

Tuesday, August 26, 1997

Tuesday, November 18, 1997

The meeting will begin at 1:30 PM Eastern time, in the Auditorium of the Public Health (Health Services) Building in Frankfort.

Kentucky EMS Council Standing Committees

Below is a list of committees:

Medical Standards/Delegated Practice Committee -

EMS Training Committee -

EMS Systems Committee -

Trauma/Disaster Planning Committee -

Steering Committee & Legislative/Regulations Committee -

Specific notices with agendas and review material will be sent out to the Council and appropriate liaison organizations for each meeting. Call the EMS Branch at (502) 564-8963 or E-Mail Robert Calhoun at bcalhoun@mail.state.ky.us if you have any questions.

FY97 SENATE BILL 66 GRANTS

Senate Bill 66 allocations for FY97 total \$1,669,899. Of this amount, \$239,489 were distributed in personnel grants for the five funding categories, EMS training equipment, EMS training aids, continuing education, salary and fringe benefit enhancements, and training the general public. The balance, \$1,430,410 was appropriated for ambulances and equipment, as follows:

Ambulances (42 Modular; 16 Vans)	\$1,080,000
Basic Medical Equipment	\$ 98,420
ALS Equipment	\$ 167,318
Communications Equipment	\$ 75,005
Extrication Equipment	\$ 9,667

The first funding cycle incorporating House Bill 693 which revamped the EMS personnel grant process has ended. Allocations, based on the changes, are down considerably. The most misunderstood area was personnel salary and fringe benefit enhancements where many applicants requested to add staff. The intent is to raise the salaries or add a fringe benefit for **existing attendants of governmental services**.

FY96 GRANT DOCUMENTATION--NOW DUE

If you have not already done so, please forward documentation of FY96 Senate Bill 66 grant expenditures. Either submit copies of paid invoices or copies of purchase orders with cancelled checks. Also, for all vehicles funded, submit a copy of the title.

AMBULANCE RUN FORMS

REVISION UPDATE

Implementation of the revised ambulance run form may be delayed possibly until early 1998. The pilot test is complete, comments have been received and are being analyzed by staff and the form and suggested changes have been referred back to the EMS Systems Committee. The Medic! program dealing with the electronic run sheet is now being tested by several ambulance services.

DISTRIBUTION OF FORMS


Effective in June, our ambulance run form distribution center was closed and a new procedure established. As we are unsure of the turn around time involved in processing, please allow a minimum of three

weeks when requesting forms. Also, be sure to use the mail-in request form; do not phone in your orders. If you no longer have this form, please call Sandy Whitis at (502) 564-8948.

SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED FORMS


All services still submitting hard copies of ambulance run forms must complete the cover sheet indicating the number of forms included in the monthly batch, broken down by emergency/non-emergency. This has always been required; however, it is especially important now as the position which deals with ambulance run forms has been vacant for six months and is currently "frozen" from being filled. The workload is being picked up by a few employees already carrying a tremendous workload. Eliminating the additional responsibility of counting nearly 25,000 forms each month would help ensure that other duties relating to the run forms can be carried out in a more timely manner.

(Brenda Robinson)



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Seventh Annual⁷

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1 Executive Boulevard
Paducah, Kentucky

To receive a registration packet, send the following information to:

1997 Kentucky EMS Conference & Trade Show
2306 Raleigh Lane
Louisville, KY 40206-2827

or e-mail the information to:

EMSConference@hultgren.org

Name _____
Street _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
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Department for Public Health
Robert Calhoun, Manager
Emergency Medical Services Branch

The next *Kentucky EMS Today* deadline for submission of copy to the EMS office in Frankfort will be **September 6, 1997**. For more information contact **Wayne King, (502) 564-8963** or **wking3@mail.state.ky.us** by E-Mail.

DEADLINE

Wayne King

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Please note the following disclaimer:

This is in no way a complete list, other areas of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and the Kentucky Administrative Regulations may, can, and do have an affect on these stated above.

902 KAR Chapter 13
 902 KAR Chapter 14

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other KRS are referenced within.

KRS 311.650 to 311.658

KRS 211.962 to 211.968

KRS 211.950 to 211.958

From this address you will be able to branch to the Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) or Kentucky Administrative Regulations (KAR).

<http://www.lrc.state.ky.us/home.htm>

Their address is:

Several have inquired as to how they might obtain a copy of the EMS Kentucky Revised Statutes and Kentucky Administrative Regulations. The Kentucky Legislative Homepage has these posted on their web sight ready to be downloaded.

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